



MINUTES OF THE REGULARLY CALLED MEETING OF THE  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
OF THE VILLAGE OF VOLENTE, TEXAS  
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2015 at 6:30 P.M.**  
16100 Wharf Cove, Volente, Texas 78641

**A. ITEMS OPENING THE MEETING**

1. Call to Order.  
Mayor Ken Beck calls the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. Call Roll.  
Julia Vicars, City Secretary calls roll. Present are Mayor Ken Beck, Council Member Kit Hopkins, Council Member Kristi Belote, Council Member Steve Baker, Council Member Andy Fogarasi and Mayor Pro Tem Connors is absent at the call to order.
3. Pledge of Allegiance.  
All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. Approval of the Meeting Minutes from September 15, September 16, September 20, September 30, October 1, October 7, October 11, and October 14, 2015.  
9-15 Line 31 is to are  
**Council Member Belote makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes listed above as amended and edited during the meeting. Council Member Baker seconds. Bill Kristi and Steve vote aye. Kit and Andy abstain.**
5. Village Reports.
  - a. Financial Reports  
Council Member Hopkins delivers the financial reports for the month of October 2015.
  - b. Construction Update.  
City Secretary, Julia Vicars, details the construction projects currently underway in the Village.
  - c. City Secretary Report
  - d. Crime & Complaints Report
  - e. Committee Reports  
Mayor Beck summarizes his meeting with the developer who is interested in building out the PDD to get clarification on his plans.

**B. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS.**

David Springer, 8504 Lime Creek, says that the PDD is aware of the 200k due and the 3 acres of parkland. He states he believes it is transferrable. David Springer says that the possibility of a cancer research hospital would be better than someone building the 300 homes of the PDD and that Council should do whatever they can to make it come to fruition.

Council Member Fogarasi asks if the planned houses on the ridgeline will be part of the hospital or as an additional development.

David Springer answers that it would be a development of about 100 homes for residences.

Jan Yenawine, FM 2769, states he is enjoying this meeting and it is going the right direction. He thanks Council.

### C. GENERAL BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS

1. *Appointment of Steve Baker as Chair of the Public Safety Committee.*
2. *Appointment of Kit Hopkins as Chair of the Budget, Finance, and Administration Committee.*
3. *Appointment of Andy Fogarasi as Chair of the Parks and Environment Committee.*
4. ~~*Appointment of David Gordon to the Planning and Zoning Commission, Alternate Position 1.*~~
5. *Review of the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year Budget for completeness and accuracy.*  
Consent Item 5 moved to the bottom of the agenda.

**Mayor Pro Tem Connors makes a motion to approve items 1, 2 and 3 of the consent agenda. Council Member Belote seconds. The motion carries unanimously.**

6. Selection of a Mayor Pro Tem.  
Council Member Belote makes a motion to re-appoint Bill Connors as Mayor Pro Tem for the one year term. No second was made, and the motion dies.  
**Council Member Fogarasi makes a motion to appoint Steve Baker as Mayor Pro Tem. Council Member Hopkins seconds. Council Members Hopkins, Baker, Connors, and Fogarasi vote aye. Council member Belote votes nay. The motion carries.**
7. Training of newly elected officials.  
Julia Vicars, City Secretary, summarizes the required and optional training available to the newly elected officials.
8. Council Retreat 2016.  
Mayor Ken Beck presents ideas for the Council Retreat 2016. Council discusses and agrees to hold the retreat on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015.
9. Review of the Contract with Franklin Publishing for codification and legal review of our Ordinances.

Council discusses the best way to proceed w

10. Discussion on Ordinance 2015-O-10, an Ordinance that would allow grandfathering of legal lots platted prior to incorporation.  
**Council Member Belote makes a motion to direct staff to prepare documents to repeal Ordinance 2015-O-10 and prepare documents for amending the Site Development ordinance sections 33.316, 33.318 and 33.319 as discussed, to be presented in the December meeting. Council Member Hopkins seconds. The motion carries unanimously.**
11. The process to remove the Engineered Site Plan requirement from the Site Development Ordinance. (Mayor Ken Beck)  
*ITEMS TEN AND ELEVEN WERE DISCUSSED AT ONE TIME*
12. Establishing a process and plan for review of the Land Use Ordinances.  
Council Member Connors presents this item. Council Member Connors and Council Member Fogarasi agree to meet and develop a process plan to be presented to Council during a work session.
13. Updating of the Zoning and Land Use Maps (Council Member Fogarasi)  
Allison Thrash, 15100 FM 2769, says the land use maps when discussed by past Planning and Zoning and past Councils has been to update Zoning, Existing Land Use, and Future Land Use. The maps are valid for updating the comprehensive plan. David Springer, 8504 Lime Creek, says that he has wrote a mapping software for the Village that takes the database of the tax rolls and colors the maps accordingly. He agrees it's worth updating and should be updated regularly. There have been changes in zoning, IR, and open spaces.
14. Direction to the Planning and Zoning Commission for their review of the proposed Zoning Ordinance.  
Judy Barrick, Booth Circle, says P&Z has been going through the Zoning ordinance. The commission all agreed to look at the original ordinance, then look at the proposed changes by Council. They started on Chart 1 and went through the setbacks, impervious cover, etc. for each of the zoning categories. She states that Planning and Zoning is ready to give Chart 1 back to Council.
15. Direction to the Budget, Finance and Administration Committee.  
Council discusses the standings of financial affairs of the Village and outstanding audits. Council Member Hopkins discusses some of the challenges when repairing the chart of accounts and audit progress. Council Member Hopkins asks for some direction from Council as to what they expect of the Financial Reports and Chart of Accounts. After discussion, Council Member Hopkins agrees to meet with her committee and continue her progress on correcting the financials within Quickbooks.

16. Texas Ethics Commission Fair Campaign Practices Act. (Mayor Pro Tem Connors)  
Mayor Pro Tem Connors introduces the item and states that a democratic process to elections is sacred. He urges all of Council to sign the Fair Campaign Practices Act Commitment Form.
17. Agenda items for the next meeting and discussion on the meeting for December.  
Council discusses their attendance for the December meeting, and follow up topics on items discussed tonight are added to the tentative agenda by the City Secretary.
18. Adjourn.

**Passed and Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.**

**Signed:**

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**Mayor Ken Beck**

**Attest:**

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**Julia Vicars, City Secretary**